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Before beginning an examination on the merits of the above-identified application, please amend the application as indicated below.

On page 8, delete lines 30-36 and insert –There are no drawings in this case.–

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**IN THE CLAIMS**

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AMENDMENTS SHOWING CHANGES MADE:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 8, lines 30-36, delete: "FIGURE 1 shows the nucleotide alignment of clones 1548374 (SEQUENCE ID NO 1), 2189842 (SEQUENCE ID NO 2), 2273243 (SEQUENCE ID NO 3), and the consensus sequence (SEQUENCE ID NO 4) derived therefrom.

FIGURE 2 shows the contig map depicting the formation of the consensus nucleotide sequence (SEQUENCE ID NO 4) from the nucleotide alignment of overlapping clones 1548374 (SEQUENCE ID NO 1), 2189842 (SEQUENCE ID NO 2) and 2273243 (SEQUENCE ID NO 3)." and insert --There are no drawings in this case.--

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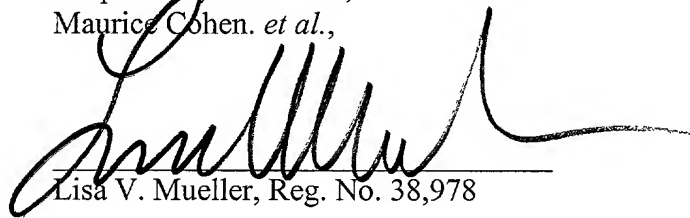
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Remarks

This preliminary amendment accompanies a request for filing of a divisional application pursuant to 37 CFR §1.53(b).

Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments presented above add no new matter and request their entry into the record.

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